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ESTANCIA VALLEY CAN'T BE BEAT

Even by the Golden Shores of California, says Dibert

Frank Dibert, who is visiting his son, Ammon Dibert south of Estancia, has returned from California where he has spent several months of the winter. While he has always been a strong advocate of the Estancia Valley, not only as a farming country but as a health resort, he is more than ever impressed with the opportunities of the valley. During his residence of several years in Santa Fe and his frequent trips through the valley he has had splendid opportunity to study the advantages offered in the valley and claims that these far exceed anything he has seen elsewhere.

While in California, he had occasion to meet and converse with many people who had been attracted to the "Golden Shore" by the voluminous advertising of the railroads, many of whom have merely sufficient means to reach their Mecca, and soon encounter difficulties galore in finding employment to secure the bare necessities of life. Others, who are attracted for health reasons, while benefitted by the mild climate, find the humidity of the low altitude such as to retard rather than accelerate convalescence, while others rather than take to a suburban home, cramp themselves into "modern" apartment houses with all the "modern" conveniences, and suffer for lack of the pure air and God-given sunshine.

Mr. Dibert claims to be enjoying our real sunshine to the utmost, after the moisture laden excuse for sunshine, which he has been forced to enjoy (?), and we believe he is enjoying life here, judging by his exuberance, his elastic step, and jovial laughter.

The Estancia Valley, not only offers the fairest of skies and the maximum of sunshine, but with this the purest of life-giving air in abundant quantities. While the valley has just had a snow storm leaving a mantle of from twelve to thirty-six inches of the beautiful covering it, the tornados, cyclones and disastrous storms of the eastern and central states are unknown. The dry air together with the cool summer nights and warm sunshine produce a climate, which cannot be excelled under the canopy of Heaven.

Cheap Rate to Santa Fe

On account of the Sells-Floto Show, at Santa Fe, N. M., Tuesday April 6th, the New Mexico Central will run a special from Willard to Santa Fe and return, leaving Willard at 7:30 and Estancia at 8:00 a. m. The round trip fare from Estancia will be \$1.25. These tickets will not be honored on regular trains. Returning the special will leave Santa Fe at 7 p. m.

I have resigned my position as U. S. Court Commissioner. I have been admitted to practice before the land office. I shall devote the same energy to the practice of law that I did to the commissioners office. I have had eight years actual experience and what I don't know about land laws I am in a position to find out.

John W. Corbett,
Mountainair, N. M.

Death of Old Settler

Early last Monday morning, Algernon H. Garnett, one of the oldest residents of Estancia, died at the home of a sister in Chicago, Illinois. Some months ago, Mr. Garnett had gone east for treatment, and according to reports was thought to be improving. Reports as to his condition were so encouraging that he had intended returning to the valley shortly, but the treacherous disease, consumption, had secured too firm a grip upon him.

Mrs. Garnett left on Monday night's train to lay to rest the body of her departed husband, interment to take place in Chicago.

Mr. Garnett had been in business of various kinds in Estancia from the beginning of a town here. He was instrumental in platting the additions of Alta Vista and Garnett Place, to the townsite. He acted as the first justice of the peace, at the creation of Estancia precinct, while yet a portion of Valencia county, and succeeded in breaking up a gang of cattle thieves, that had infested the valley and threatened to drive out the settlers by stealing away their small sustenance, after arriving in the new country. In various ways he had worked to build up the valley and make of the desert a good place to live. He was a tireless worker for what he believed to be right, and repeatedly his friends urged him not to exceed his strength. Mrs. Garnett and the only son, Burt, have the sympathy of the entire neighborhood in their bereavement.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Leader, Lella Laws.
Subject, Self Denial.
Scripture Reading, Matt. 10:24-28.
Prayer.
Song.
What is Meant by Self Denial, Carrie Menkemeyer.
The True Material for Self Denial, Jessie Jackson.
Duet, Jack and Fred Tuttle.
Working for Others, Mattie Newton.
Glorifying God in Self Denial, Mrs. Formby.
Song.
The Spirit of Cheerfulness in Self Denial, Mr. Morrill.
Closing Song.
Prayer.

Have you done your part.

An attempt is being made by the Estancia Cemetery Association to secure funds with which to have the grounds platted, erect a windmill, secure a tank, and put out trees, so that the grounds may be further improved. To this end, Mrs. J. F. Lasater and J. H. Buckelew have consented to make special efforts to raise funds. Those who have not already given toward improving the grounds are especially urged to see one of the above named persons and hand in their subscription be it large or small. All donations will be used for the purpose mentioned and no other.

Mrs. Bagley has just opened a neat little store, four doors south of the postoffice, where she will carry a select assortment of books, magazines, stationery, etc. And also a very choice assortment of ladies' furnishing goods. Her stock is new and up-to-date. Anyone needing anything in her line will do well to call and see her.

CROPS MUST BE FENCED

According to Law Just Passed by Legislature

One of the bills which has passed both houses of the territorial legislature and has gone to the Governor for his signature is of more than passing interest to the farmers in the Estancia Valley, the same being known as the "Fence Law."

During the whole of the present session more or less pressure has been brought to bear for the passage of a herd law, but except as regards a portion of three counties in eastern New Mexico, in vain. The Albuquerque Morning Journal says of the Fence Law:

The law sent to the governor today requires that in all those districts of New Mexico wherein the local option herd law is not put into effect, it shall be required by law that all gardens and farms be fenced properly, with a lawful fence against the trespass of live stock. Whether or not this will solve the problem of conflict between the stock men and the homesteaders remains to be seen. Wherever the herd law is not to operate the fence law is in force.

Educational Bill.

The educational bill as outlined by Superintendent Clark, has passed both houses of the territorial legislature. On Tuesday of this week, it tied up the lower house for some time, but on Wednesday was reconsidered and passed. This bill is reported as doing away with district officers entirely, placing the school affairs of the county in a county school board, composed of the county superintendent and four other members. Those who have read the bill claim that it will greatly improve the country schools generally.

Moving Picture Show.

Whitney's Moving Pictures, given at Walker Hall last night by Geo. Whitten, were witnessed by a good sized audience, all of whom went home well pleased feeling they had received full value for their money. The films are first class in every respect, and embrace both comic and historical subjects. Time is not allowed to drag, illustrated songs filling the interim between films. Mr. Whitten will remain in Estancia several days, showing to-night and tomorrow night at the same hall. Popular prices prevail and he is assured a large crowd each night.

Randolph Carver will preach at Moriarty and Stanley Sunday, and from there will go to Socorro to attend Presbytery, which convenes next week.

Testimony is being taken in the contest case of Rice vs. Edmonsten before U. S. Commissioner Earl Scott today. Abandonment is the allegation.

Chas. L. Burt, superintendent of schools, was over from Mountainair yesterday afternoon, on business connected with the new school building here.

Messrs. Green, Jensen, Easley, Scott, Ayers, Chavez and others were in Santa Fe the first of the week, remonstrating against the removal of the county seat.

Arthur Atkinson Dead

Word was received on last Saturday of the death of Arthur T. Atkinson at Nogales, Arizona, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Atkinson, of Estancia. For some time he had been a sufferer from tuberculosis and had gone to Arizona a few months ago, in hopes that the change of climate might prove beneficial. On account of the snow blockade and Mrs. Atkinson not being well, Mr. Atkinson could not go to Nogales. He instructed friends at that place to inter the remains, intending later to remove them to the Estancia cemetery.

This is the second son the family has lost during the winter, and they have the sympathy of all the residents of the valley in their double affliction.

Obituary.

Arthur Terry Atkinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Atkinson, treasurer of Torrance county, died at Nogales, Arizona, March 12, 1909, aged 24 years, 9 months, and 13 days. He was born in Minard county, Texas, May 24, 1884. Being afflicted with lung trouble, he came to New Mexico in the spring of 1902 in hopes of regaining his health. His parents, brothers and sisters came the following year and settled at Estancia. Since that time Arthur has been in business with his father and brother in central New Mexico, part of the time making Estancia his headquarters. During the past year he has failed rapidly in health, and two months ago went to Southern Arizona seeking a milder climate.

At the time of his death, the railroads being blocked with snow, it was impossible to move the remains, and for the time being they were laid to rest at Nogales, under the direction of the Masonic Order.

Besides his parents, he leaves four brothers and three sisters to mourn his departure, and a very large number of friends and acquaintances all of whom regarded him as a young man of remarkable ability, honor and strength of character.

Union memorial services will be held in his memory at the M. E. Church, Sunday morning, March 28, instead of the regular Presbyterian Church service.

Several parties are wearing sun-burnt faces this week, the result of the combined action of the warm sunshine of Monday and the brilliant reflection of the snow. If they had been out on the hottest summer day, their faces could not be worse burnt.

The Ladies of the Westminster Circle will give a farewell reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stratford in their honor, Thursday evening, March 25. There will be instrumental and vocal music, recitations, etc. Light refreshments will be served. All are cordially invited to attend.

D. C. Howell, county assessor, will leave this evening for Willard to begin making the assessment for this year. His previous arranged schedule was knocked to splinters by the storm of last week, it being impossible for him to make the first portion of his dates. Beginning at Willard, he will be at the places as originally advertised. In this week's News occurs his rearranged schedule for the precincts in the western portion of the county.

TERRITORIAL APPOINTEES

The general officers of the territory confirmed this morning are as follows:

Attorney General—Frank W. Clancy, of Albuquerque.

Auditor—W. G. Sargent, of Rio Arriba county (re-appointed.)

Treasurer—Miguel A. Otero, of Santa Fe.

Superintendent of the Penitentiary—J. W. Green (re-appointed.)

Superintendent of Public Instruction—J. E. Clark (re-appointed.)

Assistant to the Superintendent of Public Instruction—Acasio Gallegos (re-appointed.)

Librarian—Mrs. Lola C. Armijo.

Commissioner of Public Lands—Robert P. Ervien (re-appointed.)

Traveling Auditor and Bank Examiner—Charles V. Safford (re-appointed.)

Game and fish Warden—Thomas P. Gable, succeeding William E. Griffin, who goes to a position in the penitentiary management.

Superintendent of Insurance—Jacobo Chaves, Valencia county (re-appointed.)

Irrigation Engineer—Vernon L. Sullivan (re-appointed.)

The following district attorneys were appointed and confirmed, completing the list of attorneys, with the exception of the eighth district, Dona Ana, Otero and Lincoln:

Fourth District—Edward J. Wright, of Santa Rosa (re-appointed.)

Seventh District—J. E. Griffith of Socorro (re-appointed.)

Ninth District—J. M. Hervey, of Roswell, who retires as attorney general of the territory.

Tenth District—A. W. Pollard, of Deming (re-appointed.)

Eleventh District—Frank J. Wright, of Silver City, (re-appointed.)

New Territorial Boards.

The following new territorial boards were nominated and confirmed—each for a term of two years:

Cattle Sanitary Board—W. C. McDonald, Carrizozo; Charles L. Ballard, Roswell; W. H. Jack, Silver City; Filiberto Gallegos, Cole Railston, Magdalena; William J. Linwood, Raton.

Sheep Sanitary Board—Solomon Luna, Los Lunas; A. D. Garrett, Roswell; H. W. Kelley, Las Vegas; Charles Schleter, Clayton; J. W. Akers, Santa Fe.

Board of Equalization—J. E. Hinkle, Roswell; T. D. Burns, Sr., Tierra Amarilla; J. M. Cunningham, Las Vegas; B. Spitz, Albuquerque; Alejandro Sandoval, Corrales; Frank P. Jones, Silver City; Henry Lutz, Lincoln.

Bureau of Immigration John A. Haley, Carrizozo; M. M. Padgett, Las Vegas; L. K. McGaffey, Roswell; H. H. Betts, Silver City; George L. Brooks, Albuquerque; W. G. Black, San Juan county.

Members of the Board of Regents of the Museum for the territory of New Mexico—Nathan Jaffa, Roswell, N. M.; Frank Springer, Las Vegas, N. M.; Charles F. Lummis, Los Angeles, Cal.; R. B. Cronwin, Pueblo, Colo.

For a term of four years each. Members of the New Mexico Board of health and Medical Examiners—W. D. Radcliffe, Belen; W. E. Kaser, Las Vegas; J. G. Moir, Deming.

For a term of four years each. Board of Osteopathy—C. H. Conner, Albuquerque; Charles A. Wheelon, Santa Fe; W. G. Parson, Roswell.

For a term of two years. Capitol Custodian Committee—H. S. Kaune, Santa Fe; R. P. Er-

My Ain Countrie

After a residence of twenty-five years in New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. William Fraser, former residents of Albuquerque, have returned to their old home at Inverness, Scotland, to make their home for the remainder of their days. Mr. Fraser embarked in the sheep growing industry in New Mexico nearly twenty-five years ago, securing financial aid from a well known Albuquerque man. By good business methods and industry he managed to repay his backer and accumulate a comfortable fortune, part of which was made in Albuquerque real estate. With his wife he has now returned to Scotland to enjoy the fruits of his labor.

—Citizen.

School Notes

Mabel Dow is absent this week.

Willie Henry has been absent for more than a week.

Muri Johnson has been absent more than two weeks.

Marguerite Roberts is absent on account of sickness.

Eula and Bessie Atkinson are absent this week.

Dorsey Pence was absent Wednesday.

Shirley Melbourne is in school after a week's absence.

Merle and Russel Souders have been absent more than a week.

Perry Endicott has gone back to Newkirk, Okla.

Homer Berkshire was absent Wednesday afternoon.

On account of the snow, the attendance was very small last week.

Change in Dates

From now until the first of June the regular services at the Baptist Church will be held on 1st & 3rd Sundays instead of 2nd & 4th as heretofore. This change was necessary on account of conflicting dates at Mountainair. The first of June we will return to our former time.

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Yours truly,
D. B. Jackson,
Pastor.

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For a term of two years. In making the appointment of the coal oil inspector, the governor attached the following note: "For coal oil inspector, S. B. Grimshaw of Santa Fe."

The coal oil inspector is appointed at a salary of \$125 a month and necessary expenses, as full compensation for all of his services, and after paying the fees due the deputy coal oil inspectors, which, under no circumstances shall exceed one half of the fees allowed by law, he shall turn into the territorial treasury all receipts of the office in excess of the salary and fees above mentioned.

The results of this salary reform will be to make the inspection of coal oil just as thorough as it is at present and at the same time to bring into the road fund, which needs the money, a very considerable sum each year, which will be expended in road construction under the direction of the territorial road commission.